Connecticut Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes May 16, 2011

Attendees: Peter Frick, Barbara Obert, Bert Gueser, Kim Maloney, Phil Schlossberg, Kathy Shaw, Dermot Jones, Ron Warila, Jeff Curran, Peter Hill (DEP), Stewart Chute

Meeting Began at approximately 9:40 AM

DPH Update (Phil and Dermot)

- Regarding the hexavalent chromium detection in CT, Dermot clarified that the reported hit at 0.14 ppm as total chrome not Cr+6. The only reported Cr+6 detect was at 0.08 ppb.
- If hexavalent chromium monitoring becomes required, CT will follow EPA's lead with monitoring expected to occur every 3 years.
- The CT ELAC minutes will now be posted on the DPH website.
- After Jeff and Dermot contacted the EPA, it appears that allowance for a shorter desorb time for method 524.2 is a dead issue. The EPA said method 524.3 must be used if a shorter desorb time desired.

Membership Review

• No changes in members

Upcoming Schedule

• Next meeting: September 19, 2011

Survey Questions

- According to Peter Hill, the DEP approves of the CTELAC developed questions.
- Peter Hill suggests developing a CTELAC website with a possible link to the DPH website.
- Survey Monkey will be used to develop the lab survey, which will be sent to all CT certified labs that perform solid waste analysis. Dermot will provide the lab list. The survey is expected to be completed by the end of May.
- A new email account will be set up for the survey by Peter Frick.
- The LEP survey should be ready sometime in June.

Action Levels for Private Water Supplies

- Some action levels are set lower than the minimum required reporting limits for the Phase II and V compounds. Labs may not be calibrating and reporting low enough to meet the action levels.
- The DPH would like to update the Action levels.
- Stuart Chute of the DPH is working on this and is looking for input from the CTELAC group.
- Labs can send feedback regarding problem levels and the methods and equipment they are using to Dermot.

DEP Update - Peter Hill

- The DEP Round Table discussions have been well attended.
- Three subcommittees are being formed to study the survey and other issues.
- Round Table mailing list sign-up is on the DEP website at www.ct.gov/dep/remediationroundtable.
- The QA/QC workgroup is restarting to work on a guidance document for EPH/VPH/ETPH.

Action Items

- Peter will send everyone the link to the DEP Roundtable meetings
- Peter will create an email account for CTELAC
- Dermot and Phil will compile a lab list for survey distribution
- Jeff will contact the EPA regarding the 524.2 ATP issue
- Dermot will contact the NH Certification Office to discuss their plans regarding the 524.2 desorb issue
- Labs in attendance need to review the guidance/ action level limits feasibility and respond to Phil and Dermot
- Committee is looking for feedback on a recommended drinking water reporting format
- The new storm water rules require RCP, but current methods are not RCP methods. Peter Hill will take the lead and investigate this requirement.

Meeting adjourned approximately 11:40 AM.